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SUBJECT: LOS: EXTENSION OF FISHING LIMITS TO

200 - MILE LIMIT AND CONTINENTAL MARGIN TO BE SUPPORTED

1. IN ADDRESS BEFORE LOCAL LIBERAL ASSOCIATION MEETING AT ST. ANDREWS, N. B. MAY 26, ENVIRONMENT MINISTER DAVIS ANNOUNCED THAT CANADA INTENDS TO SUPPORT 200- MILE FISHING LIMIT AT UN LOS CONFERENCE, WITH QUALIFICATION THAT " WHENEVER OUR CONTINENTAL MARGIN REACHES OUT MORE THAN 200 MILES FROM SHORE, IT IS THE CONTINENTAL MARGIN WHICH WILL FORM OUR FISHING LIMIT." DAVIS SAID THAT UNDER THIS REGIME THE 200- MILE LIMIT WOULD APPLY TO CANADIAN WEST COAST AND TO PARTS OF CANADIAN EAST COAST. THE CONTINENTAL MARGIN ( TO 1800 METERS) WOULD APPLY TO OTHER AREAS ALONG THE EAST COAST " TO INCLUDE ALL OF GRAND BANK AND ALL OF THE FLEMISH CAP... AT THE FARTHEST POINT, OUR CONTINENTAL MARGIN REACHES OUT ROUGHLY 400 MILES INTO THE NORTH ATLANTIC."

2. DAVIS SAID COASTAL STATES ARE BECOMING " INCREASINGLY UNCLASSIFIED

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ALARMED ABOUT THE DEPLETION OF THEIR FISH STOCKS BY A FEW LONG- DISTANCE FISHING NATIONS." HE SAID THE LATTER " ARE BOUND TO BE OUT- VOTED AT THE NEXT UN LAW OF SEA CONFERENCE." HE SAID THE LONG- DISTANCE FISHING NATIONS ALSO ARE CHANGING AND " BEGINNING TO SEE THE ADVANTAGE OF CONSERVATION OF A STABLE SOURCE OF SUPPLY OF FISH... THEY ARE THINKING IN TERMS OF PARTNERSHIP ARRANGEMENTS." HE CITED AS AN EXAMPLE THE JAPANESE, WHO " ARE TALKING TO SEVERAL OF OUR LARGER CANADIAN COMPANIES WITH THE VIEW TOWARDS PUTTING UP HALF THE MONEY FOR THE LAUNCHING OF NEW CANADA- BASED FISHING OPERATIONS."

3. DAVIS SAID CANADIAN FISHERMEN ARE ALREADY TAKING MORE THAN ONE MILLION METRIC TONS OF FISH FROM CANADIAN COASTAL WATERS EACH YEAR. HE PREDICTED THAT OVER THE NEXT DECADE CANADA SHOULD BE ABLE TO INCREASE ITS CATCH BY AS MUCH AS 50 PER CENT IN VOLUME TERMS.

4. TEXT OF DAVIS' S REMARKS POUCHED TO DEPARTMENT. SCHMIDT

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